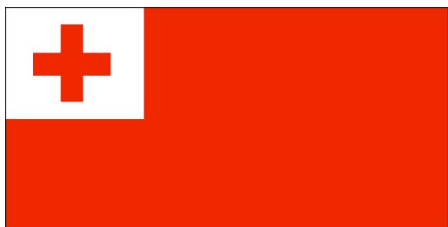


# FRIENDS FORUM

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## Books to Tonga



Tonga is a group of islands somewhat south of Samoa way out in the Western Pacific. The children there are being taught English to help them find employment away from Tonga, but they have very few books in English. So, the Rotary Club in Del Mar started a project to send books to them.

The Rotary recently contacted Maureen Tracy, manager of Book and Magazine Sales at Cole, to see if we had any surplus books we could give them for shipment to Tonga. We did have a number of books not suitable for our sales so we were able to help. A representative from the Rotary Club came to our storage area (the garage) with a van, loaded it up, drove to San Francisco where the shipment was loaded on a freighter and sailed away to Tonga. Nice to be able to help. Thank you, Maureen.

## Staples Donates to the Friends

On June 15, the Carlsbad Staples held a celebration to debut its newest store and presented the Friends with a \$1,500 donation.

“We are delighted that Staples is entering the Carlsbad community not only as a valuable economic resource, but as a community partner that will support local community efforts,” said Arthur Wood.

The donation was presented to Arthur, Beth Hulsart and Heather Pizzuto by Staples General Manager Wayne Anderson, Staples District Manager Charlie Douglas and Mayor Bud Lewis.



## Friends of the Library Annual Meeting



Friends board members at the June 15th meeting.



Friends enjoy delicious food provided by Three Sisters Catering.

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## *From Our Library Director...*

The Library continues to move forward with many projects. Among the most significant is construction of the Learning Center. On June 20, the City Council approved awarding the construction contract, and we anticipate construction will begin late August to September. If all goes well, the Learning Center will open approximately Spring, 2008. The Learning Center will provide a permanent home for the Adult Learning Program and Centro de Información, doubling the space for each. The staff is very excited about the opportunities ahead to support more people in their quest to read and find the information they need.



On other fronts, we were very pleased that the Carlsbad Reads Together program was nationally recognized in *American Libraries*, the magazine of the American Library Association. What an honor to receive national notice for this wonderful program, funded by the Friends. Our thanks again for all the ways you support Library programs and services.

*Heather Pizzuto, Library Director*

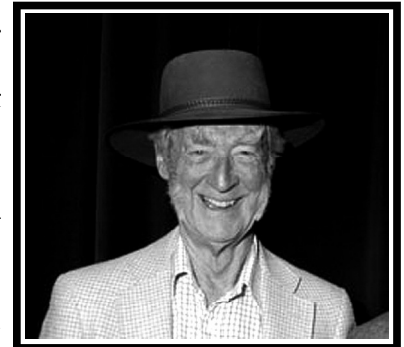
## *The Prez Sez...*

On June 15 we held our annual meeting. The business meeting was preceded by a social in the Courtyard at the Dove Library. Three Sisters Catering provided the hors d'oeuvres and Joanne Volpe and Jackye Willis served libations. Thanks to Carol Landis and Barbara Wood for organizing the arrangements.

At 5:00 p.m., we adjourned to the Schulman Auditorium for the meeting. Barbara Chung, Senior Librarian of the Children's Division at Dove, gave a video presentation of the opening of the Children's Garden, adding on at the end a shot of the new Friends of the Library sign now mounted on the wall in the Garden.

Library Director, Heather Pizzuto and Deputy Directors, Suzanne Smithson and Dave Curtis gave reports on their activities and programs.

We also presented gift certificates to volunteers who have worked at the Dove Bookstore since its opening in 1999.



*Arthur Wood, Friends President*



More photos from the Friends of the Carlsbad Library Annual Meeting. Thanks to Bill Richmond for capturing images from this fun afternoon.

# Volunteers Needed

Elsewhere in this issue we reported that volunteers who have worked at the Dove Bookstore since opening day back in 1999 were awarded gift certificates. There were 25 of our members who qualified. So it is to be expected that vacancies will occur as time passes, and so far we have been able to fill these vacancies from our SUB list. But our SUB list is shrinking, and we need to find new volunteers who would like to be on the SUB list. If you are interested, please call our Volunteer Coordinator, Jackye Willis, at 729-9394. SUB volunteers have a choice on what days they would like to work, and what hours of the day. So, if you can help, please give Jackye a call. Thank you.

## Mark Your Calendars:

The next Book Sale on the Not-so-Green will be held on Saturday, October 7 in the parking lot below City Hall on Pio Pico and Carlsbad Village Drive.

## Staff Recommendations: An Eclectic List of Interesting New Books

From Susan Simpson, Head of Collection Development and Acquisitions

*Arab Americans: a History* by Gregory Orfalea

*Blue Murder* by Vivien Armstrong

*Chasin' the Bird: the Life and Legacy of Charlie Parker* by Brian Priestly

*Chasing Hubble's Shadows: the Search for Galaxies at the Edge of Time* by Jeff Kanipe

*Columbia: Final Voyage: the Last Flight of NASA's First Space Shuttle* by Philip Chien

*Crows: Encounters with the Wise Guys* by Candace Savage

*End in Tears: a Wexford Novel* by Ruth Rendell

*Freedom Rider: 1961 and the Struggle for Racial Justice* by Raymond Arsenault

*Healthy Obsession Program: Smart Weight Loss Instead of Low-Carb Lunacy* by Daniel S. Kirschenbaum

*Ice Man: Confessions of a Mafia Contract Killer* by Phillip Carlo

*Inhabited World* by David Long

*Kingfish: the Reign of Huey P. Long* by Richard D. White, Jr.

*Murder at the Monks' Table* by Sister Carol Anne O'Marie

*No Good Deeds* by Laura Lippman

*Sewing for Outdoor Spaces: Easy Fabric Projects for Porch, Patio, Deck and Garden* by Carol Zentgraf

*Something Happened: a Political and Cultural Overview of the Seventies* by Edward D. Berkowitz

*World Undone: the Story of the Great War 1914 – 1918* by G. J. Meyer

*Zane Grey: His Life, His Adventures, His Women* by Thomas Pauly